

By: Representatives Smith (39th), Chism,
Gibbs

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 61

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MRS. HATTIE
2 HEARN MORRIS LOVING AND EXPRESSING OUR SYMPATHY UPON HER PASSING.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hattie Hearn Morris Loving, affectionately
4 known as "Mama Hattie," passed this life on January 11, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Loving was born on November 11, 1901, to
6 Claudius B. Morris and Tabitha D. Morris in Clay County,
7 Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, as a centenarian, Mrs. Loving had seen it all
9 because she lived through the most impactful technological century
10 of man, from horse and buggy to cars, planes, electricity,
11 telephones, refrigeration, television, computers and cell phones;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, witnessing the William H. Taft campaign for the 1909
14 presidency is evidence of the many important historical events she
15 experienced; and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Loving was a "career woman" who was dedicated
17 to a legal and political career for half her life as she served as
18 a legal secretary for over 50 years; and

19 WHEREAS, she began her legal career by first working with her
20 husband, Byron Herald Loving, who was both a State Representative
21 and Senator from Clay County; and

22 WHEREAS, her career evolved to include serving as a deputy
23 circuit clerk during the tenures of T.H. Moseley and David Arthur
24 Vaughn, as an election poll worker for several decades, and as an
25 election commissioner for Clay County from 1969-1984; and

26 WHEREAS, to cherish her loving memory and carry on her
27 legacy, she leaves four children: Lenore Loving Prather, Ida

28 Loving Cunetto, Marmion Loving Francis and James Morris Loving, 13
29 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and

30 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to honor the
31 lives and memory of honorable Mississippians such as "Mama Hattie"
32 Hearn Morris Loving, whose life was an inspiration to her
33 community:

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
35 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
36 commend the life and legacy of "Mama" Hattie Hearn Morris Loving
37 and express our sympathy upon her passing.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
39 furnished to the family of Mrs. Loving and to the members of the
40 Capitol Press Corps.